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1. CONFIDENTIAL - ENTIRE TEXT.

2. SUMMARY: CHARGE TOLD VICE FOREIGN MINISTER JIANG
ENZHU AT THE OFFICIAL INDEPENDENCE DAY RECEPTION ON JULY

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3 THAT THE UNITED STATES HAD NOT CHANGED ITS ONE CHINA POLICY AND THAT WE WOULD CONTINUE TO PURSUE A POLICY OF ENGAGEMENT. CHARGE STRESSED THAT IMPROVED BILATERAL RELATIONS REQUIRED ACTIONS BY BOTH SIDES AND RAISED THE CASES OF HARRY WU AND CHEN ZIMING. JIANG REPLIED ALONG STANDARD LINES THAT THE U.S. MUST TAKE THE FIRST STEP TO REDRESS THE PROBLEM CAUSED BY LEE TENG-HUI'S VISIT AND THAT THE CASES OF HARRY WU AND CHEN ZIMING WERE IN THE HANDS OF CHINA'S JUDICIAL AUTHORITIES. IN A CONVERSATION WITH A/DCM, [REDACTED] ECHOED JIANG'S COMMENTS.

3. IN ANOTHER CONVERSATION AT THE RECEPTION, [REDACTED]

4. DURING THE RECEPTION, MOFTEC OFFICIALS ALSO RAISED
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THEIR CONCERNS ABOUT THE EFFECT OF THE LEE VISIT ON BILATERAL RELATIONS. AS ANTICIPATED, THE CHINESE RESTRICTED THEIR ATTENDANCE AT THIS YEAR'S FUNCTION TO UNDERLINE THEIR DISPLEASURE OVER THE LEE VISIT. END SUMMARY.

5. AT THE OFFICIAL INDEPENDENCE DAY RECEPTION ON JULY 3 CHARGE TOLD THE RANKING GUEST, VICE FOREIGN MINISTER JIANG ENZHU, THAT THE UNITED STATES HAD NOT CHANGED ITS ONE CHINA POLICY AND THAT WE WOULD CONTINUE TO PURSUE A POLICY OF ENGAGEMENT. THE UNITED STATES DESIRED IMPROVED BILATERAL RELATIONS, CHARGE SAID, BUT THIS WAS IN CHINA'S INTEREST AS WELL AND THAT REQUIRED COOPERATION ON BOTH SIDES.

6. JIANG, WHO DOES NOT NORMALLY HANDLE U.S. AFFAIRS, APPARENTLY HAD NO AUTHORIZATION TO GO BEYOND A VERY NARROW BRIEF. HE REPLIED THAT THE U.S. MUST TAKE THE FIRST STEP TO REDRESS THE PROBLEM CAUSED BY LEE

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TENG-HUI'S VISIT TO THE UNITED STATES. THIS VISIT, JIANG REITERATED HAD UNDERMINED THE BASIS FOR U.S.-CHINA RELATIONS.

7. CHARGE ALSO RAISED THE CASES OF AMCIT HARRY WU AND DISSIDENT CHEN ZIMING, ARGUING THAT BOTH SHOULD BE RELEASED IMMEDIATELY AND THAT WE SHOULD BE GIVEN ACCESS TO WU IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CONSULAR CONVENTION. JIANG RESPONDED ONLY THAT BOTH CASES WERE NOW IN THE HANDS OF CHINA'S JUDICIAL AUTHORITIES AND WERE NOT FOREIGN POLICY ISSUES. JIANG DENIED THAT THE REARREST OF CHEN HAD ANYTHING TO DO WITH CHINA'S PIQUE AT THE UNITED STATES

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OVER THE LEE VISIT.

8. IN A SEPARATE CONVERSATION. [REDACTED]

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11. MA EXPRESSED HOPE THAT VICE PREMIER/FOREIGN MINISTER QIAN QICHEN WOULD BE ABLE TO MEET WITH THE SECRETARY AT THE ARF POST MINISTERIAL IN EARLY AUGUST. HE CONFIRMED THAT MFA HAD RECEIVED OUR PROPOSAL FOR A MEETING (REF C), THROUGH ITS EMBASSY IN BANDAR SERI BEGAWAN AND INFORMALLY VIA A/POLMINCOUNS. MA SAID THAT NO DECISION ON A MEETING HAD YET BEEN MADE.

12. ASSISTANT FOREIGN MINISTER YANG JIECHI ALSO CALLED ON THE U.S. TO "TAKE SOME ACTIONS" BUT HE WAS NOT SPECIFIC. YANG POLITELY REJECTED THE POINTS MADE BY A/DCM WHICH PARALLELED THOSE OF THE CHARGE WITH VFM JIANG.

13. IN AN EXCHANGE WITH A/ECONMINCOUNS, MOFTEC AMERICAN AND OCEANIAN AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT DEPUTY DIRECTOR-GENERAL SHI JIANXIN ALSO RAISED THE LEE TENG-HUI VISIT, STRESSING THAT IT WAS IMPORTANT FOR THE U.S. TO DO SOMETHING TO GET THE RELATIONSHIP BACK ON TRACK. IN A SEPARATE CONVERSATION, MOFTEC AMERICAS DIVISION DEPUTY DIRECTOR MA XIAOYE ALLUDED TO THE CURRENT STATE OF OUR BILATERAL RELATIONSHIP, SUGGESTING THAT THIS WAS COMPLICATING MOFTEC'S EFFORTS TO RESPOND TO OUR PROPOSAL TO HOLD IPR, MARKET ACCESS, AND SERVICES NEGOTIATIONS DURING THE WEEK OF JULY 31. HOWEVER, WHEN PRESSED HE BACKED OFF AND SAID AUSTR LEE SANDS' RECENT PROMOTION HAD MADE ARRANGEMENTS MORE DIFFICULT BECAUSE OF THE NEED TO HAVE OFFICIALS OF SUITABLE RANK AVAILABLE AT THE SAME TIME. THE TIMING, HE SAID, WAS STILL BEING STUDIED.

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14. AS WE ANTICIPATED (REF B), THE CHINESE RESTRICTED THEIR ATTENDANCE AT THE OFFICIAL INDEPENDENCE DAY RECEPTION TO REINFORCE THEIR DISPLEASURE OVER THE LEE VISIT. PARTICULARLY NOTEWORTHY, THE NUMBER OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY OFFICIALS, AND STRATEGIC THINK TANK PERSONNEL WERE SHARPLY DOWN OVER LAST YEAR. BESIDES VFM JIANG ENZHU, WHO "REPRESENTED CHINA," VICE MINISTERS OF FORESTRY AND HEALTH ALSO ATTENDED. THE RANK OF CHINESE MILITARY ATTENDEES WAS ROUGHLY AT A LEVEL NOT SEEN SINCE 1992. THE RANKING CHINESE FIA OFFICER WAS A MAJOR GENERAL, ZHANG MAOHAI, THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF THE

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